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1.136(a). 3 Credit Card payment form.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Warren Gregory Tobin

Application Serial Number: 10/622,638

Title: Communication means

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Art Unit: 2645

Examiner: Gerald Gauthier Confirmation Number: 4576

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RESPONSE FILED UNDER 37 C. F. R. §1.111

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This response is being filed under 37 CFR §1.111 in response to the non-final Office Action mailed 07 September 2005, in the above identified application

Page 1 of 7. 8:29 PM.1/9/2006. Response filed under 37 C. F. R. §1.111. (Applicant: Warren Gregory Tobin. Application Serial Number: 10/622,638. Title: Communication means. Filing Date: 07/21/2003. Art Unit: 2645.

Examiner: Gerald Gauthier Confirmation Number: 4576 An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that one-month extension of time granted in which to respond to the non-final Office action mailed 07 September 2005, said period of response being extended from 07 December 2004 to 07 January 2006. As 07 January 2006 falls on Saturday, the filing of the response to the Office action on Monday 09 January 2006, the next business day, is timely filed. A petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this amendment.

In the Office action mailed 07 September 2005, Claims 4-9 were objected to because of informalities.

In the same Office action mailed 07 September 2005, Claims 1-9 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Michelson et al. (US 2004/0042612 A1) in view of Hammond (US 5,155,761).

Careful consideration has been given to the grounds of objections and rejections and the following discussion is offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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